

Docket No.: 071971-0667

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of | : | Customer Number: 53080 |
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| Ichiro KAWASHIMA | : | Confirmation Number: 5959 |
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| Application No.: 10/586,611 | : | Group Art Unit: 2819 |
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| Filed: July 19, 2006 | : | Examiner: MAI, Lam T. |
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| For: ENCODING/DECODING DEVICE | : | |

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 2, 2008, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 2, 2008, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.